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SUB: KOREAN QUESTION AT UNGA

REF: A. ABIDJAN 9089 B. ABIDJAN 8954

1.DURING

COURSE OF MEETING BETWEEN AMBASSADOR AND
IVORIAN FOREIGN MINISTER USHER ON OCTOBER 24, AMBASSADOR RE-
ITERATED USG POSITION ON THE KOREAN QUESTION AT THE UN REFERRING
TO HIS CONVERSATION EARLIER IN THE WEEK (REFTEL B) WITH FOREIGN
MINISTRY SECRETARY GENERAL POLNEAU. AMBASSADOR
ASSUMED THAT GOIC POSITION REMAINED THE SAME.

2. USHER CONFIRMED GOIC POSITION WHICH FAVORS "FRIENDLY"
RESOLUTION AND THE ABSOLUTE NEED FOR EVENTUAL PERMANENT SETTLE-
MENT TO BE WORKED OUT AMONG ALL PARTIES CONCERNED, CERTAINLY
INCLUDING SOUTH KOREA. USHER WELCOMED THE REALISM OF A RESOLU-
TION WHICH SUPPORTS THE TRUE STATUS QUO, NAMELY, THE PRESENCE
OF U.S. RATHER THAN U.N. TROOPS IN SOUTH KOREA WHO ARE THERE
TO PROTECT SOUTH KOREA AGAINST THE THREAT OF INVASION FROM
THE NORTH.

3. IN THE LIGHT OF RECENT GOIC ACTION TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC
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RELATIONS WITH THREE COMMUNIST COUNTRIES IN SOUTHEAST

ASIS, AMBASSADOR TTEN INQUIRED WHETHER GOIC HAS ANY INTENTION
TO DEVELOP DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH NORTH KOREA. USHER
REPLIED IN THE NEGATIVE. NORTH KOREAN REPRESENTATIVES ARE
WELCOME IN IVORY COAST AS "TOURISTS" IF THEY WISH, BUT GOIC
SEES NO REASON TO DEVELOP DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THEM AT
THIS TIME.
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